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SUBJECT: MTC: SG / UNCTAD MEETING

FOR WEBB

1. AFTER MOST DIFFICULT, TRYING AND LENGTHY NEGOTIATIONS OF MEETING, (ONE AND ONE HALF DAYS), ESPECIALLY REGARDING PARA 65, GROUP DECIDED ON CONSULTATION SECTION (TEXT FOLLOWS). UK DELEGATION FINALLY AGREED TO GO ALONG WITH OVERWHELMING MAJORITY WHICH INSISTED ON LANGUAGE WHICH INCLUDED " SHIPPERS" (SEE PARA 65 BELOW); BEGIN TEXT.

CONSULTATION.

65. THERE SHALL BE CONSULTATIONS, ON REQUEST AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMMERCIAL PRACTICE, BETWEEN CONFERENCES AND SHIPPERS' ORGANIZATIONS OR REPRESENTATIVES OF SHIPPERS AND/ OR SHIPPERS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL CONCERN, SUCH AS:

- A) CHANGES IN GENERAL TARIFF CONDITIONS AND RELATED REGULATIONS;
- B) CHANGES IN THE GENERAL LEVEL OF FREIGHT RATES OR IN THE FREIGHT RATES FOR MAJOR COMMODITIES;

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- C) IMPOSITION OF SURCHARGES;
- D) CHANGES IN CLASSIFICATION OF PORTS;
- E) ESTABLISHMENT OF, OR CHANGES IN THE FORM AND GENERAL CONDITIONS OF LOYALTY ARRANGEMENTS;
- F) OPERATION OF CARGO INSPECTION SERVICES;
- G) CHANGES IN THE PATTERN OF SERVICE; OR
- H) ADEQUACY AND QUALITY OF SHIPPING SERVICES, INCLUDING THE IMPACT OF POOLING, BERTHING OR SAILING ARRANGEMENTS ON THE AVAILABILITY AND COST OF SHIPPING SERVICES OFFERED,

66. THE PARTIES SHOULD USE THEIR BEST EFFORTS TO PROVIDE RELEVANT INFORMATION, TO HOLD TIMELY DISCUSSIONS AND TO CLARIFY MATTERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SEEKING SOLUTIONS OF THE ISSUES CONCERNED. THE PARTIES INVOLVED SHALL TAKE ACCOUNT OF EACH OTHER'S VIEWS AND PROBLEMS AND STRIVE TO REACH AGREEMENT CONSISTENT WITH THEIR COMMERCIAL VIABILITY.

67. THE CONSULTATIONS SHALL, WHENEVER POSSIBLE, BE HELD BEFORE FINAL DECISIONS ARE TAKEN. WHERE PROVIDED FOR IN THIS CODE, OR IN OTHER CASES WHENEVER REASONABLE, ADVANCE NOTICE SHALL BE GIVEN OF THE INTENTION TO TAKE DECISIONS ARE TAKEN. WHERE PROVIDED FOR IN THIS CODE, OR IN OTHER CASES WHENEVER REASONABLE, ADVANCE NOTICE SHALL BE GIVEN OF THE INTENTION TO TAKE DECISIONS ON MATTERS REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 66.

68. THE CONSULTATIONS SHALL BEGIN WITHOUT UNDUE DELAY AND IN ANY EVENT WITHIN A MAXIMUM PERIOD SPECIFIED IN THE CONFERENCE AGREEMENT OR, IN THE ABSENCE THEREOF, WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE REQUEST.

END TEXT

2. COVER NOTE WHICH WILL ACCOMPANY OVERALL GROUP B COUNTER-PROPOSAL NOW BEING NEGOTIATED.

3. NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA INDICATED THAT THEY WILL NOT BE ABLE TO JOIN IN GROUP B COUNTER- PROPOSAL SINCE FORMULATION OF POLICY BY EACH NATION'S RESPECTIVE NEW GOVT HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED.
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